

Mrs. KIM of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Otto Frederick Warmbier. He is an American who was horrifically tortured and killed by the North Korean regime 5 years ago.

Otto was a dedicated young man. He was the valedictorian of his high school and at the University of Virginia. At the age of 22, he was taken hostage and suffered the worst of the North Korean regime's brutality.

Although Otto is no longer with us, his wonderful family carries on his legacy every day with their advocacy and strength.

As one of the first Korean-American women to serve in Congress, and as a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, I will always—always—be a loud voice for global human rights and hold violators accountable.

We remember and honor Otto always.

SUPPORTING OUR VETERANS

(Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of the Honoring our PACT Act, which will ensure comprehensive benefits and care for our troops who suffer from toxic exposure, especially from burn pits.

I thank Chairman TAKANO once again for his leadership, and it is now time for us to finally send this bill to President Biden's desk.

As a daughter, sister, and wife of a veteran, caring for our veterans is extremely important to me, as it should be to every American. The Honoring our PACT Act will help over 3 million suffering veterans and ensure that they can get the care that they need.

I note especially the similarities between this bill and my 9/11 Health and Compensation Act which supports the 9/11 first responders who were exposed to dangerous toxins that made them sick, still to this day.

Our veterans were there for us. We must be there for them. We should all support this important bill.

HONORING THE LIFE OF WILSON STONE

(Mr. COMER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the life of former State representative Wilson Stone. Wilson was a passionate public servant who spent his career fighting for Kentucky.

Wilson served as State representative of the Kentucky General Assembly for 12 years. During his time, he served as chairman of the State House Agriculture Committee and pursued meaningful improvements to Kentucky's public education system. I had the honor of serving in the State House with Wilson Stone.

Before serving in the State legislature, Wilson was an influential member of the Allen County Board of Education. It is a position he held for a remarkable 24 years.

In the spare time that he did have, Wilson was a farmer. Wilson was a true leader with a sincere drive to improve Kentucky.

On behalf of the First Congressional District, I send my sincerest condolences to Wilson's family, friends, and neighbors. His life touched many, and our Commonwealth is better off because of his service.

SOUND AND SENSIBLE SOLUTIONS

(Ms. BROWN of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, last week, House Democrats took aggressive action to address rising food prices by passing the Lowering Food and Fuel Costs Act.

The bill would lower costs by doing three things:

First, it will reduce our dependence on overseas fertilizer production. Russia and Ukraine are major producers of fertilizer. Putin's war on Ukraine has driven up the cost of fertilizer for our farmers, and, therefore, for critical staples on our grocery store shelves.

Second, the bill will also crack down on unfair, anticompetitive practices in the meat and poultry sector, helping to drive down the prices of meat products.

Third, and finally, it would expand access to cleaner ethanol blends that cost, on average, 40 cents less per gallon. This will help ease the pain at the pump.

These provisions may sound technical, but they are sound and sensible solutions to lower prices for America's families in the grocery aisle and at the gas pump.

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COMMENDING DARRIS SMITH ON HIS ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Darris Smith for his outstanding athletic achievements, having won two State track titles for Appling County High School in Baxley, Georgia.

The senior took home first place in the Georgia High School Association Class 3A 400-meter individual race in Carrollton, as well as the gold medal on Appling County's 4x400-meter relay team.

Darris is not your typical track star. The 6-foot-6-inch, 230-pound runner is also a standout basketball player as well as one of the top football recruits in the Nation, committed to playing linebacker at the University of Georgia. Go Dawgs.

He finished his high school football career rated as the Nation's number 14 defensive end and the number 162 overall prospect for 2022.

These unbelievable achievements are worth appreciation and will inspire the next generation of athletes to push for their goals.

Congratulations, Darris. We are all excited to see where your talent and hard work take you. Go Dawgs.

CONGRATULATING DIAMOND HILL-JARVIS HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES

(Mr. VEASEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the accomplishments of Angel Sanchez of Fort Worth, who recently represented Diamond Hill-Jarvis High School and made history by winning the State's first track and field medal with a gold in the 1600. Additionally, his accomplishments got him recognized as DFW's boys' track athlete of the week.

I am very proud of Angel for representing the city of Fort Worth at the State level, and I am proud of the entire Diamond Hill-Jarvis High School for all of their recent athletic accomplishments.

Last year, Diamond Hill-Jarvis High School's boys' soccer team headed to the State finals, making them the first-ever team in school history to make it to the State UIL championship in any sport.

Once again, Angel, and everyone at Diamond Hill, you should be proud of all of your accomplishments. Keep up the good work. Angel, I look forward to seeing you race in Portland.

CONGRATULATING DALE MOORE ON HIS RETIREMENT

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the distinguished career of Mr. Dale Moore as he celebrates his retirement from the American Farm Bureau Federation. For 40 years, Dale has been an instrumental leader in agriculture policy.

Dale earned his bachelor's degree in animal science from Fort Hays State University. Dale then began his professional career as a legislative assistant to former U.S. Congressman and Senator Pat Roberts. Dale then transitioned to the House Committee on Agriculture to serve as legislative director while Mr. Roberts was chairman.

After years of hard work on Capitol Hill, Dale served as executive director of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. Dale then became the USDA's chief of staff for all four Secretaries under President George W. Bush.

Dale has spent the last 11 years of his career with the American Farm Bureau